RESOURCES FOR CALIFORNIA'S MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS

The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986 requires that U.S. citizens in the military and living overseas be allowed to register for and vote in federal elections (for president, vice president, U.S. senator, congressional representative) using absentee ballot procedures.

Make sure your vote counts on November 4!

- 1. Register to vote in California. If you are in the military or living overseas, you can get more information about registering to vote at **www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_mov.htm**.
- 2. Request an absentee ballot by October 28, 2008. You can get an absentee ballot application at **www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_m.htm**.
- 3. If you are recalled to military service within California after the final day to apply for an absentee ballot, you can go to the elections official in the county to which you are recalled and apply for an absentee ballot.
- 4. Fax* or mail your ballot to your county elections office. Your ballot must be received by 8:00 p.m. (PST) on Tuesday, November 4, 2008. Postmarks do not count. You can find contact information for your county elections office at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_d.htm.

Remember these important dates!

September 5, 2008: Military and overseas absentee ballots become available

October 20, 2008: The last day to register to vote for the November 4, 2008, election

October 28, 2008: The last day to request an absentee ballot

November 4, 2008: Election Day

* If you fax your ballot, you must also fax the "oath of voter" form with it. Please note that faxing your ballot relinquishes your right to a secret ballot.

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Federal Voting Assistance Program www.fvap.gov (800) 438-VOTE